Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus for effecting a predetermined process with respect to another data processing apparatus, comprising:

a recognition unit for recognizing an ~~an~~ a money account function of another data processing apparatus;

a decision unit for deciding that said data processing apparatus is to effect ~~an~~ a money account process for a first process by said data processing apparatus and for a second process by said another data processing apparatus, in the case where said recognition unit recognizes that said another data processing apparatus does not have the money account function; and

a control unit for controlling execution of the money account process in accordance with the decision by said decision unit.

Claim 2 (Previously presented) A data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said decision unit effects the decision on a basis of information received from another data processing apparatus.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined process is a process for printing an image read by said another data processing apparatus in the data processing apparatus; and

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the money account process is based on at least one part of information regarding the number of images read by said another data processing apparatus, monochromatic reading, color reading, the number of sheets to be printed by said another data processing apparatus, monochromatic printing and color printing.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined process is a process for printing an image read by the data processing apparatus in said another data processing apparatus; and

the money account process is based on at least one part of information regarding the number of images read by the data processing apparatus, monochromatic reading, color reading, the number of sheets to be printed by said another data processing apparatus, monochromatic printing and color printing.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus comprising:

a processing portion for effecting a predetermined process with respect to another data processing apparatus;

an information portion for informing said another data processing apparatus that the data processing apparatus has the money account function, so that said another data processing apparatus does not execute the money account process for the predetermined process; and

an a money account portion for executing the money account process for a first process by said data processing apparatus and for a second process by said another data processing apparatus in order to execute the predetermined process after the informing by said information portion.

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Claim 6 (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a data processing apparatus for effecting a predetermined process with respect to another data processing apparatus, comprising:

recognizing ~~an~~ a money account function of the another data processing apparatus;

deciding that said data processing apparatus is to effect ~~an~~ a money account process for a first process by said data processing apparatus and for a second process by said another data processing apparatus, in the case where said recognition step recognizes that said another data processing apparatus does not have the money account function; and

controlling execution of the money account process in accordance with the decision in said deciding step.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a data processing apparatus comprising:

effecting a predetermined process with respect to another data processing apparatus;

informing said another data processing apparatus that the data processing apparatus has the money account function, so that said another data processing apparatus does not execute the money account process for the predetermined process; and

executing the money account process for a first process by said data processing apparatus and for a second process by said another data processing apparatus in order to execute the predetermined process after informing in said informing step.

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